the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within a second window of the plurality of application windows, comprising the steps of:

a)   creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction;

b)   associating the second application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction;

c)   displaying the hidden information in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information; and

d)   capturing at least a portion of the hidden information displayed in the viewport as static information in the viewport.

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11.   (Two Times Amended) A system for displaying hidden information on a display screen, the display screen displaying a plurality of application windows, a first window of the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within a second window of the plurality of application windows, comprising:

means for creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction;

means for associating the second application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction;

means for displaying the hidden information in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information; and

means for capturing at least a portion of the hidden information displayed in the viewport as static information in the viewport.

21. (Two Times Amended) A computer readable medium containing program instructions for displaying hidden information on a display screen, the display screen displaying a plurality of application windows, a first window of the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within a second window of the plurality of application windows, the program instructions comprising the steps of:

a) creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction;

b) associating the second application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction;

c) displaying the hidden information in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information; and

d) capturing at least a portion of the hidden information displayed in the viewport as static information in the viewport.

31. (Two Times Amended) A method for viewing hidden windows on a display including a plurality of application windows, a portion of at least one application window of the plurality of application windows being obscured, comprising the steps of:

a) creating a viewport displayed as a topmost application window in response to a user interaction;

b) displaying the portion of the at least one application window being obscured in the viewport; and

c)   capturing at least a portion of the at least one application window displayed in the viewport as static information in the viewport.

32.   (Two Times Amended) A system for viewing hidden windows on a display including a plurality of application windows, a portion of at least one application window of the plurality of application windows being obscured, comprising:

means for creating a viewport displayed as a topmost application window in response to a user interaction;

means for displaying the portion of the at least one application window being obscured in the viewport; and

means for capturing at least a portion of the at least one application window displayed in the viewport as static information in the viewport.

33.   (NEW) A method for displaying hidden information on a display screen, the display screen displaying a plurality of application windows, a first window of the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within a second window of the plurality of application windows, comprising the steps of:

a)   creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction wherein the viewport includes a minimize all button;

b)   associating the second application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction;

c)   displaying the hidden information in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information; and

34.   (NEW) A system for displaying hidden information on a display screen, the display screen displaying a plurality of application windows, a first window of the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within a second window of the plurality of application windows, comprising:

means for creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction wherein the viewport includes a minimize all button;

means for associating the second application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction;

means for displaying the hidden information in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information; and

means for capturing the hidden information displayed within the viewport wherein the hidden information displayed within the viewport becomes invariant in response to a user interaction.

35.   (NEW) A computer readable medium containing program instructions for displaying hidden information on a display screen, the display screen displaying a plurality of application windows, a first window of the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within a second window of the plurality of application windows, the program instructions comprising the steps of:

a)   creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction;

b)   associating the second application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction;

c)   displaying the hidden information in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information; and

d)   capturing the hidden information displayed within the viewport wherein the hidden information displayed within the viewport becomes invariant in response to a user interaction.

36.   (NEW) A method for displaying hidden information on a display screen, the display screen displaying a plurality of application windows, a first window of the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within a second window of the plurality of application windows, comprising the steps of:

a)   creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction;

b)   associating the second application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction; and

c)   displaying the hidden information in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information wherein movement of the hidden information within the second window is influenced by the viewport.

37.   (NEW) A system for displaying hidden information on a display screen, the display screen displaying a plurality of application windows, a first window of the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within a second window of the plurality of application windows, comprising:

means for creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction;

means for associating the second application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction; and

means for displaying the hidden information in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information wherein movement of the hidden information within the second window is influenced by the viewport.

38.   (NEW) A computer readable medium containing program instructions for displaying hidden information on a display screen, the display screen displaying a plurality of application windows, a first window of the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within a second window of the plurality of application windows, the program instructions comprising the steps of:

a)   creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction;

b)   associating the second application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction; and

c)   displaying the hidden information in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information wherein movement of the hidden information within the second window is influenced by the viewport.

39.   (NEW) A method for viewing hidden windows on a display including a plurality of application windows, a portion of at least one application window of the plurality of application windows being obscured, comprising the steps of:

a)   creating a viewport displayed as a topmost application window in response to a user interaction; and

b)   displaying the portion of the at least one application window being obscured in the viewport wherein movement of information in the at least one application window is influenced by the viewport.

40.   (NEW) A system for viewing hidden windows on a display including a plurality of application windows, a portion of at least one application window of the plurality of application windows being obscured, comprising:

means for creating a viewport displayed as a topmost application window in response to a user interaction; and

means for displaying the portion of the at least one application window being obscured in the viewport wherein movement of information in the at least one application window is influenced by the viewport.

41.   (NEW) A method for displaying hidden information on a display screen, the display screen displaying a plurality of application windows, a first window of the plurality of application windows obscuring the hidden information within both a second window and a third window of the plurality of application windows, comprising the steps of:

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a)   creating a viewport as a topmost window in response to a first user interaction;

b)   associating alternately either one of the second application window and the third application window with the viewport in response to a second user interaction; and

c)   displaying the hidden information of the associated window in the viewport whenever the viewport is positioned over the hidden information.